

Athena clusters scheduled to be renovated or closed

IS&T seeking approval for renovation plans

By Rosa Ruiz
STAFF REPORTER

MIT's Athena clusters, which have not seen a significant upgrade since their creation in the 1980s, will soon be receiving a long-awaited upgrade. Although construction in several buildings will lead to the temporary closure of some clusters and three will be permanently closed, there are plans to renovate the Student Center cluster, and eventually, other public computing spaces.

In an interview with *The Tech*, Jonathan Reed, MIT Information Services and Technology's (IS&T) Senior Liaison to the Students, described the upcoming changes. As Building 2 is being renovated, the clusters in 2-225 and 2-032 closed. 2-032

will reopen at the completion of construction (though slightly smaller, to make room for an elevator), but 2-225 will close permanently as the space becomes part of the Math Department.

IS&T is also investigating the possibility of renovating the nearby 4-167 cluster, making improvements to lighting and ventilation and adding a glass window to the corridor. If approved, the renovations would begin January 2014 and last five to six months. Building 37 is also undergoing renovation, and the clusters in 37-318 and 36-332 will close permanently when the rooms join Course 16.

The Student Center cluster (W20-575) will be receiving new tables and chairs over IAP. Reed estimates the furniture upgrade to cost between \$100 K and

\$120K. In place of the anchor pads that locked technology (quite valuable when it opened) to the tables, a cable will connect the computers to the desks, giving students more flexibility in arranging their workspaces. The Student Center, along with a few other locations, will also feature a pilot project of mobile device charging stations.

The changes are intended to make the clusters more pleasant places to work, but some students are pleased with the current condition. "I like it being a little uncomfortable — if it's too comfortable, it makes it easier for me to fall asleep," said Justine Jang '17. Others, like Yonglin "Jason" Wu '15 agreed, describing the large windows

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Eric Victor G, the Co-President of the MIT Veterans Organization, speaks on Monday, Nov. 18 during a ceremony renaming MIT's Lobby 10 as "Memorial Lobby" in honor of fallen veterans. The event featured remarks by veterans in the MIT community and a mixed honor guard of MIT ROTC cadets and midshipmen and MIT Police officers.

Bexlians modify illustrations in new community space

Following CAC concerns of 'offensive' illustrations in Bexlians' Pritchett space, drawings modified

By Austin Hess
NEWS EDITOR

Former residents of Bexley Hall had to modify illustrations in the Pritchett Lounge in Walker Memorial last week that were deemed offensive by the Campus Activities Complex (CAC). In August, the former Bexley residents were given use of the room in Walker Memorial, meant to serve as a community space, following the closure of Bex-

ley in May.

According to an email from Campus Activities Complex (CAC) Director Phil J. Walsh, CAC staff entered the room last week in response to a request by a former Bexley Graduate Resident Tutor (GRT) that a recycling bin to be added to the lounge. A number of illustrations, painted on large sheets of paper and taped to the walls, were deemed offensive by the staff and "in violation of the terms for the space."

The regulations for the use of the space were sent out by CAC when the former Bexley residents officially gained access to the space on Aug. 26. One aspect of these regulations state, "Any alteration or change in the space provided must be done with advanced approval by Residential Life and CAC. Creative expression through artwork and music playing is expected and will require communication and coordination during the early weeks of the pro-

gram as procedures are established." It also indicates that "CAC and Residential Life staff will conduct periodic tours of the space to insure its proper and safe utilization."

Since the Pritchett Lounge is a part of an activity center and not a residence hall, Walsh said that the illustrations had to be removed immediately. The email included photos of the four offending posters but did not provide an indication of what part of the illustrations

were in violation.

Two of the illustrations consisted of painted words describing generally sexual content. Another used vulgarity to describe the wall color of the Pritchett Lounge. The final one, a drawing of an octopus or perhaps a squid, was presumably deemed inappropriate due to its resemblance to male genitalia.

Former Bexley residents with

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Haiyan aid lagging

Millions displaced, hunger growing

By Austin Ramzy
THE NEW YORK TIMES

BASEY, Philippines — When Typhoon Haiyan hit this coastal town, residents ran for Saint Michael the Archangel Church. Now, 10 days later, more than 100 of them remain.

"I was in my house, but it was destroyed," said Belen Cabonce, 87. "We ran for higher ground, and this was it. Some people stayed in houses trying to hold on, but most of them came here." She has lived here ever since, sleeping on a wet pew, wondering when the next shipment of relief goods will arrive.

She has not heard from her two children in Tacloban, the city that lost more than 800 people in the storm, since the typhoon hit on Nov. 8.

"Please give me aid," she said. "I'm alone."

As the Philippines begins to clean up after the worst ty-

phoon in memory, it is faced with a huge problem of feeding and housing its displaced population. The government says that about 4 million people have been displaced, with some 350,000 living in about 1,500 evacuation centers.

"The evacuation centers are an increasing concern," said Matthew Cochrane, spokesman for the U.N. Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs. Places like the Tacloban City Convention Center, an indoor basketball stadium now home to some 2,500 people who lost their homes in the storm, are straining under the lack of sanitation and basic supplies.

"People are living in squalid conditions in need of as much support as they can get," Cochrane said.

In addition, about 2.5 million people require food aid. "The most pressing need is

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Police and rescue divers pulled a man out of the Charles River Sunday evening. The man, transported on a stretcher, allegedly pulled several fire alarms on campus throughout the day and jumped into the river while being pursued by a police officer in the evening.

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Bill on regulating drug compounding clears Congress

A bill that would give the Food and Drug Administration more power to police compounding pharmacies passed its final hurdle in Congress on Monday, in what experts said was an important step to a safer drug supply in the United States.

The bill, which cleared the Senate without opposition, stops short of giving the FDA complete authority over pharmacies that tailor-mix drugs for individual patients, a process known as compounding. But the bill still provides significant new safeguards, which have earned it the support of public health advocates around the country.

“It has very sharp teeth,” said Sarah Sellers, a drug safety consultant who has tracked the issue for years.

Just over a year ago, tainted injectable drugs from a compounding pharmacy in Massachusetts caused a meningitis outbreak that killed 64 people across the country, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The bill, which took shape in the months after the outbreak, was designed to prevent such events.

“This bill will improve oversight of high-risk drug compounding,” said Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, who was one of the authors.

—Sabrina Tavernise, *The New York Times*

Scores killed in tribal clashes in Darfur

KHARTOUM, Sudan — Nearly 200 members of two Arab tribes that signed a peace treaty in July were killed in fighting in southwest Darfur over the past three weeks, a local tribal chief said.

“The total of dead from the past weeks of fighting has reached 139 from both sides,” said the tribal chief, who spoke on the condition of anonymity. “Add to that 53 who died Sunday night.”

U.N. officials in the area confirmed the fighting between the two groups.

“We have received information of fighting between the Salamat and the Messeiriya in the area of Umm Dukhun,” said Ashraf Eissa, a spokesman for the joint U.N. and African Union Mission in Darfur, known as UNAMID. He said that the fighting had affected a displaced persons’ camp and some shelters, and that a “feeding center” run by nongovernmental organizations had been burned down.

Joint Sudanese-Chadian forces that patrol the border between their two nations “disengaged the fighting tribesmen,” Eissa added.

The tribal chief said, “Nine Sudanese soldiers were killed, and two Chadian soldiers were injured.” Agence France-Presse reported that Chadian soldiers had died during the clashes, but did not confirm how many.

Sporadic fighting between members of the two tribes has led to the death of over 200 since the beginning of the year.

Intertribal clashes and fighting between rebels and government forces in the troubled Darfur region have led to the displacement of 460,000 people this year, the United Nations said last week.

—Isma’il Kushkush, *The New York Times*

China details new policy; investors seem to like it

By Bettina Wassener
THE NEW YORK TIMES

HONG KONG — If the initial summary of China’s highly anticipated economic policy plan disappointed analysts last week, the far more detailed plan that was released by the Chinese authorities late Friday more than made up for it. The reaction among investors and analysts to the document of more than 21,000 characters — roughly the equivalent of 17,000 words in English — that laid out the Communist Party’s decisions on how to overhaul the Chinese economy was overwhelmingly positive.

“The breadth of the reform plan has certainly exceeded most expectations,” said Wang Tao, chief China

economist at UBS.

China economists at Goldman Sachs said the document “showed high reform conviction and lifted reform expectations and targets.” And Yao Wei, an economist in Société Générale’s office here, said: “The new leaders really delivered and promised a number of concrete changes. China’s reform boat has finally set sail.”

The stock markets echoed the sentiment: On Monday, the Shanghai composite index closed 2.9 percent higher, while the Hang Seng Index in Hong Kong, where many mainland companies are listed, climbed 2.7 percent. On Friday, both had risen 1.7 percent in anticipation of more details about the meetings.

In part, the cheer stemmed from the fact that the initial communiqué from the closed-door meeting of top policymakers released last Tuesday — about 5,000 characters shorter than the final “decisions” document — was vaguely worded, replete with platitudes, short of detail and almost bound to disappoint.

The longer outline released three days later “swept away the haze of disappointing ambiguity” of that initial communiqué, said Zhu Haibin, chief China economist at JPMorgan.

It addresses a wide range of issues — including changes to the longstanding one-child policy, land rights, price liberalization and the role of the markets in the largely state-dominated economy.

Slowdown in carbon emissions worldwide

By Justin Gillis and David Jolly
THE NEW YORK TIMES

Global emissions of carbon dioxide are slowing somewhat from the rapid pace of the last decade, new figures show, but growth in coal burning continues to outstrip the growth in other forms of energy, and experts said the world remains far from meeting international goals on climate change.

Scientists compiling the numbers said it was unclear whether the slowdown in the growth of

emissions might represent the beginnings of a permanent shift. One-time factors in China, including the opening of several large new dams to supply electricity, played a substantial role, as did slower economic growth there.

The new figures were released late Monday by the Global Carbon Project, which tracks emissions. They showed that carbon dioxide emissions from the burning of fossil fuels and the production of cement rose by 2.1 percent in 2012, compared with 2011, and they are projected to rise by a simi-

lar amount in 2013. Since 2000, growth in such emissions had been running more than 3 percent a year, on average.

The countries of the world have set a goal of limiting global warming to 3.6 degrees Fahrenheit, or 2 degrees Celsius, above the preindustrial level. But that will require emissions to peak and begin to decline toward a low level by 2050.

“At the moment, it’s very hard to see any evidence that we’re going to peak any time soon,” Peters said.

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Republicans block another Obama nominee for judgeship

By **Jeremy W. Peters**
THE NEW YORK TIMES

WASHINGTON — Senate Republicans on Monday denied President Barack Obama his third nominee in as many weeks to the nation’s most powerful and prestigious appeals court and insisted they would not back down, inflaming a bitter debate over a president’s right to shape the judiciary.

By a vote of 53-38, the Senate failed to break a filibuster of a federal judge, Robert L. Wilkins, who was nominated to fill one of three vacancies on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit, falling short of the 60 votes needed.

Unlike previous fights over judicial nominees, this one is not driven by ideology or divisive social issues like abortion. Republicans have raised few objections to any of the candidates’ qualifications or political leanings.

Rather, Republicans are trying to prevent Obama from filling any slots on the court, fearing that he will alter its conservative tilt.

Democrats accused Republicans

of exercising a nakedly political double standard for confirming presidential nominees.

“Appointing judges to fill vacant judicial seats is not court-packing,” said Sen. Harry Reid of Nevada, the Democratic majority leader. “It’s a president’s right as well as his duty.”

Republicans have argued that the court does not have the caseload to merit filling the vacancies, and they have proposed legislation to shrink it by three seats. But that legislation has no chance of becoming law in a Democratic-controlled Senate, so instead Republicans have vowed to block any nominees for that court.

For a day at least, business on Capitol Hill shifted away from the problematic efforts to carry out the president’s health care law, prompting Republicans to accuse Democrats of trying to change the subject.

“Unfortunately, the Senate will not be voting on legislation to allow Americans to keep their health insurance if they like it,” said Sen. Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., the minority leader. “Rather, we will be voting on another nominee to a court that doesn’t have enough work to do. The Senate

ought to be spending its time dealing with a real crisis, not a manufactured one.”

Republicans are making a bold gamble: Hold firm and allow no more judges to get through while hoping that Democrats do not alter filibuster rules so the minority can no longer block judges. At times, they have openly dared Democrats to change the rules, saying that any move to stop filibusters will come back to haunt them if the Senate and the White House ever flip back to Republicans.

It is not a small matter for Democrats, who may find themselves someday wishing to block a Republican president’s Supreme Court nominee. Senate aides said Monday that members of the Democratic leadership had started to gauge support for a rules change inside their caucus. Any changes would require 51 of the 55 members.

Reid can bring the nominees back up again at any time, either individually or all at once.

Wilkins became the fourth of Obama’s choices for the powerful court blocked by Republicans this year.

German chancellor makes plea on behalf of former Soviet republics

By **Alison Smale**
THE NEW YORK TIMES

BERLIN — Chancellor Angela Merkel demanded on Monday that Russia allow its onetime subjects — particularly in Ukraine — to exercise the sovereign right to make alliances as they choose.

“The Cold War should be over for everyone,” Merkel said, making her first speech to the German Parliament since winning the general election in September.

Merkel devoted the bulk of her 15-minute address to throwing Berlin’s considerable political and economic weight behind the European Union’s efforts to forge closer partnerships with six former Soviet republics: Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Moldova and Ukraine.

Those nations have been invited to sign association agreements at a two-day meeting that opens Nov. 28 in Vilnius, the capital of Lithuania,

one of three former Soviet republics that joined the European Union in 2004.

Ukraine, by far the biggest of the countries invited, has become the object of an East-West tug of war. European Union foreign ministers meeting in Brussels made clear Monday that responsibility for Ukraine’s fate lay with its president, Viktor F. Yanukovich, an ally of Moscow who has nonetheless said he wants his country to be closer to Europe.

Last week, though, the Ukrainian Parliament postponed consideration of a bill to allow the imprisoned former prime minister, Yulia V. Tymoshenko, to leave the country for medical treatment in Germany. The European Union wants the bill to be passed before it declares that Ukraine has met the conditions for entering an enhanced partnership. Diplomats widely see Tuesday as the deadline for the Ukrainian Parliament to act.

Merkel and the lawmakers from

all parties who followed her to the lectern Monday emphasized that the proposed agreements with former Soviet republics are “not directed against Russia” and could help Russia integrate with Europe, as the chancellor declared.

The debate over the union’s Eastern Partnership program in the German Parliament was followed by a lively discussion of the recent accusations that Germany’s most important ally, the United States, eavesdropped on millions of Germans, including the chancellor.

Merkel, displaying barely a trace of the anger that she voiced when the monitoring of her cellphone became known, seemed intent on tamping down the hard feelings that have developed over the affair. Still, she insisted that the United States had work to do to restore the confidence needed, for example, to negotiate a free trade accord with the European Union.

Congress and courts weigh restraints on NSA spying

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court on Monday turned away an unusual challenge to a National Security Agency program that collects the telephone records of millions of Americans, as congressional critics of the data collection stepped up efforts to force more disclosure about the scope of the surveillance.

The intensifying push against the NSA on both the legal and legislative fronts reflected new pressure being put on the extensive surveillance effort in the wake of the revelations by Edward J. Snowden, pressure that is running into stiff resistance from congressional leaders of both parties, as well as the Obama administration.

The Electronic Privacy Information Center filed the challenge directly with the Supreme Court, arguing that the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court had “exceeded its statutory jurisdiction when it ordered production of millions of domestic telephone records that cannot plausibly be relevant to an authorized investigation.”

The justices gave no reason for rejecting the group’s petition, but the unusual procedure of bypassing the lower courts probably played a role. Other, more conventional challenges to government surveillance programs are pending.

In urging the justices not to hear the case, the federal government said “the proper way” to mount a challenge “is to file an action in Federal District Court to enjoin the program, as other parties have done.” It cautioned, though, that “the government may assert certain threshold defenses to such a suit.” The case is In re Electronic Privacy Information Center, No. 13-58.

—Adam Liptak and Jeremy W. Peters, *The New York Times*

Europeans fault American safety effort in Bangladesh

Tensions broke into the open Monday involving two large groups of retailers — one overwhelmingly American, the other dominated by Europeans — that have formed to improve factory safety in Bangladesh.

An official from the European group voiced concern that the U.S. retailers would piggyback at no cost on the efforts of the Europeans — which includes H&M, Carrefour and more than 100 other retailers — in financing safety upgrades at hundreds of factories. The members of the European-led group, the Accord on Fire and Building Safety in Bangladesh, have made binding commitments to help pay for fire safety measures and building upgrades when shortcomings in safety are found in the more than 1,600 garment factories its members use in Bangladesh. While the U.S.-dominated group, which has 26 members, including Wal-Mart Stores, Target and Gap, has stopped short of making such a binding commitment, it has pledged to provide loans for the improvements.

Scott Nova, executive director of the Worker Rights Consortium, a labor rights group based in Washington that is a member of the Europe-led accord, said members had a “significant concern about a free-rider situation.”

Jeff R. Krilla, president of the U.S.-dominated group, Alliance for Bangladesh Worker Safety, said he was surprised by the criticism, noting that his alliance had agreed to make \$100 million in low-cost loans available to Bangladesh factory owners to finance safety improvements.

In a sharp exchange in a telephone conference call on worker safety in Bangladesh that was organized by the Boston Global Forum, a nonprofit research organization, Krilla said his group’s members were making a significant financial commitment to improving safety, including a total of \$50 million over five years in contributions by retailers in the alliance. The two groups, founded after the Rana Plaza factory building collapsed in April, killing more than 1,100 workers, are just beginning factory inspections. Despite the friction, they have been working closely together to develop joint inspection standards on fire and building safety.

—Steven Greenhouse, *The New York Times*

WEATHER

Tornado outbreak in the Midwest, average weather in Cambridge

By **Shaena Berlin**
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On Sunday, a tornado outbreak swept through 12 states in the Midwest, disrupting travel and damaging infrastructure. Though less active than spring, November can be a prime season for tornadoes. Relatively warm temperatures com-

bine with typical strong fall winds to set up such severe weather systems.

After a warm weekend in Cambridge, expect cooler temperatures this week. Highs will reach into the upper 40s°F, while nighttime lows will dip below freezing. Clear skies should dominate, with no precipitation likely before Friday.

Extended Forecast

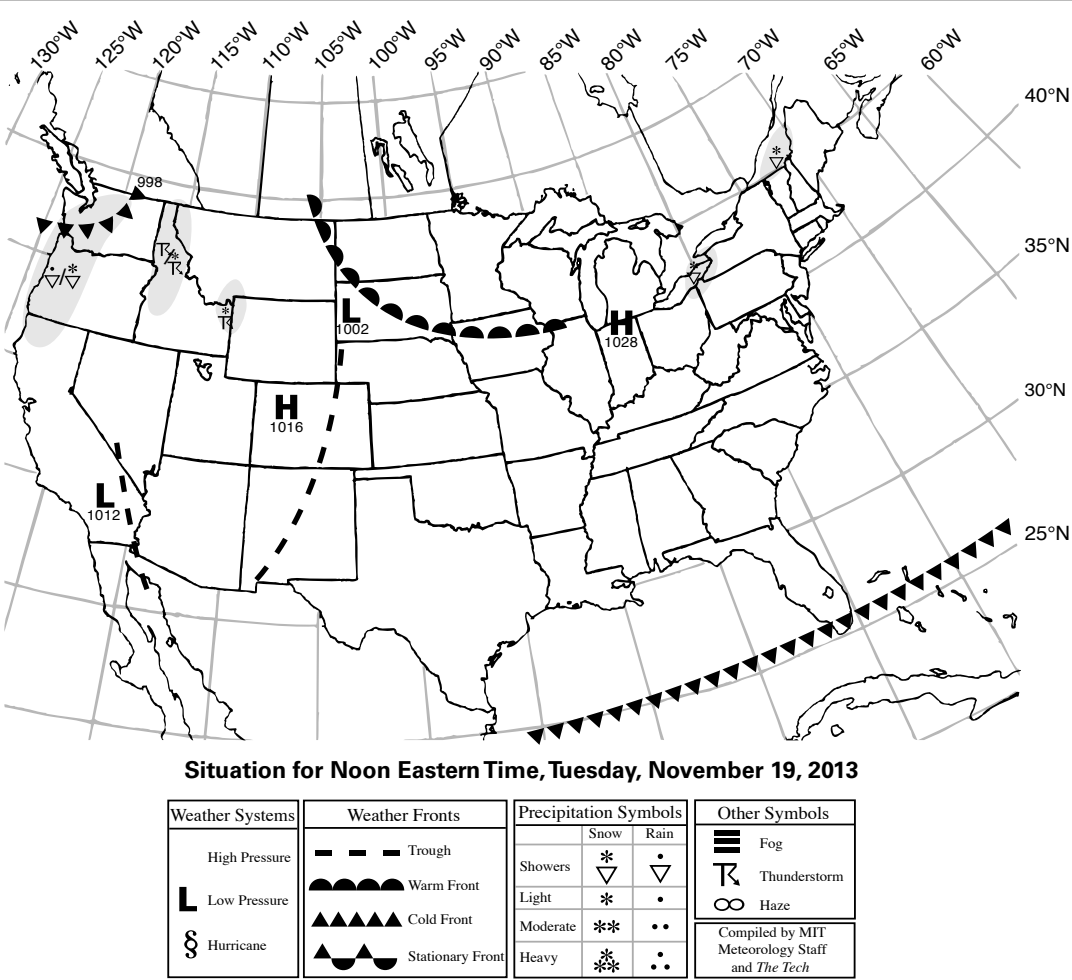
Today: Mostly sunny with a high of 48°F (9°C). Winds from the NW around 20 mph.

Tonight: Clear with a low near 30°F (-1°C). NW winds around 15 mph.

Tomorrow: Sunny with a high around 42°F (6°C). Low around 28°F (-2°C). Calm winds.

Thursday: Mostly sunny, with clouds beginning in the evening. High near 47°F (8°C). Low around 35°F (2°C).

Friday: Partly cloudy with a high in the lower 50s°F (10°C). Low in the upper 30s°F (4°C).



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The arts events calendar in Friday's issue provided incorrect or incomplete information for four events. The Chamber Chorus concert occurred twice on Saturday, Nov. 16, at both 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. The Ellipsis Trio's Boston performance was on Sun-

day, Nov. 17, not Saturday. Musical Theatre Guild's *Young Frankenstein* performance on Sunday, Nov. 17 was at 2 p.m., not 12 p.m. Mariel Roberts' performance on Thursday, Nov. 21 was at 8 p.m., not 7 p.m.

A review of *Dallas Buyers Club* also in Friday's issue provided an incorrect rating — the film is rated R.

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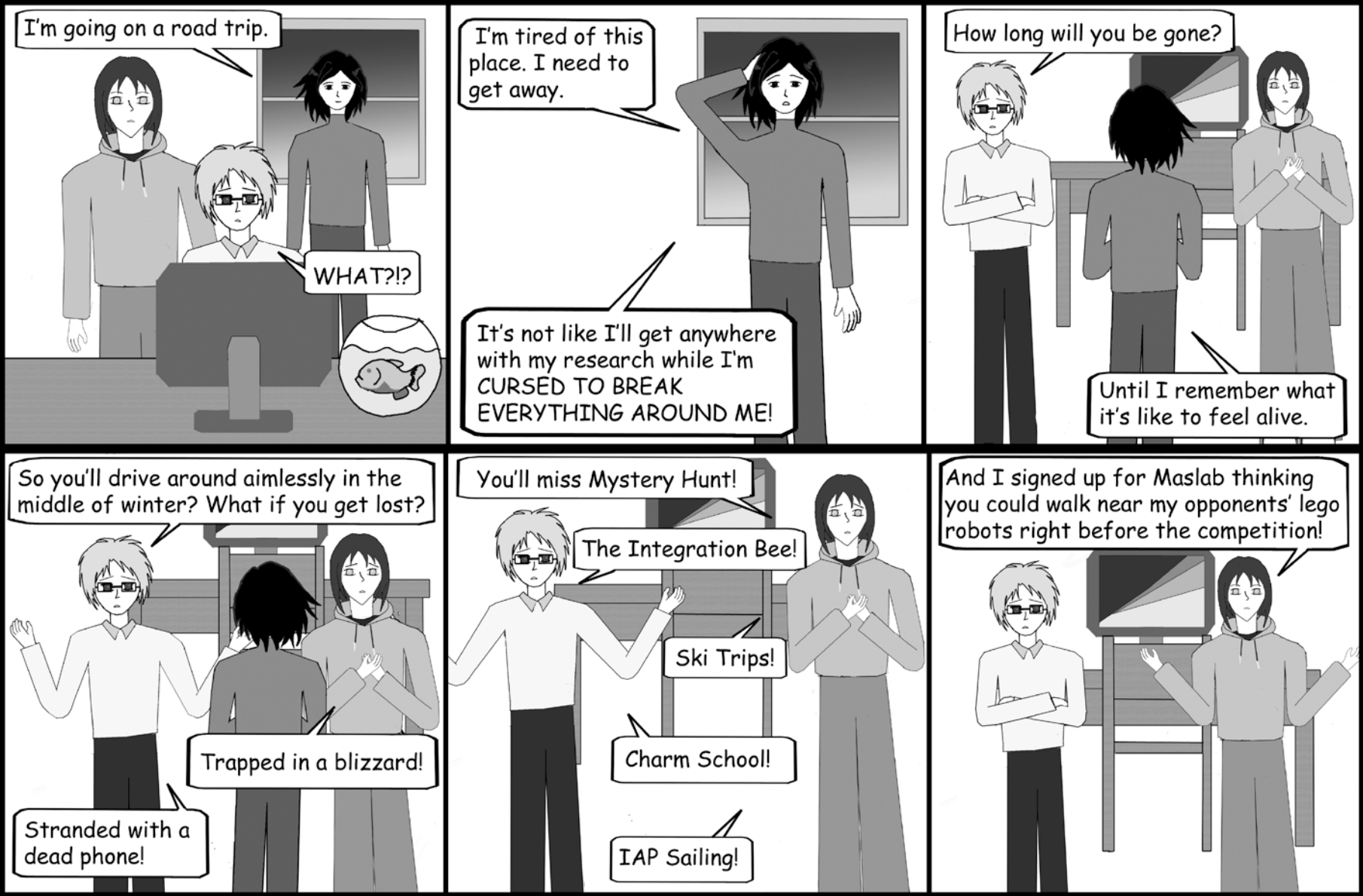
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- 44 Cut to pieces
- 46 Fit to serve
- 47 No-exchange, for short
- 48 Ancient chopper
- 50 One in a suit

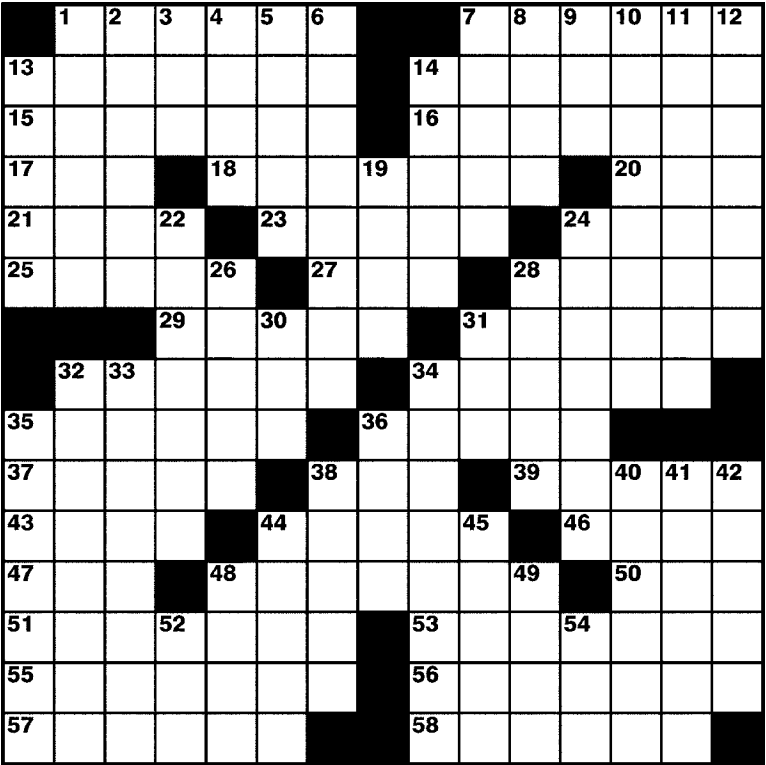
- 51 Command to a canine
- 53 Rank
- 55 Puts down
- 56 They go by the board
- 57 Expressions of mockery
- 58 Foreign Legion wear

DOWN

- 1 Surname in Puzo's The Family
- 2 Something to stand for
- 3 Desperate plea
- 4 Take for a ride
- 5 Brontë sister pseudonym
- 6 Top choice
- 7 Boil over
- 8 Realizes
- 9 Collectible sheet
- 10 Sambuca cousin
- 11 Synagogue store stock
- 12 Were here before
- 13 Paws
- 14 Fundraisers' concerns
- 19 Carroll character
- 22 Audacious non-apology
- 24 Bits of chaff
- 26 Boiling
- 28 Shell that floats
- 30 Driver's club
- 31 Needing a lift
- 32 Drinking age in Ontario
- 33 Defeated

- 34 15 Across display
- 35 Gets back into shape
- 36 Fly in a lake
- 38 Preserves, in a way
- 40 President Lincoln wore one, now and then
- 41 Brings on

- 42 Bustles
- 44 Change
- 45 Uncommonly
- 48 Carol word sung 12 times
- 49 Times past
- 52 Service center
- 54 Light gray



Ex-Bexley residents modify posters in Pritchett



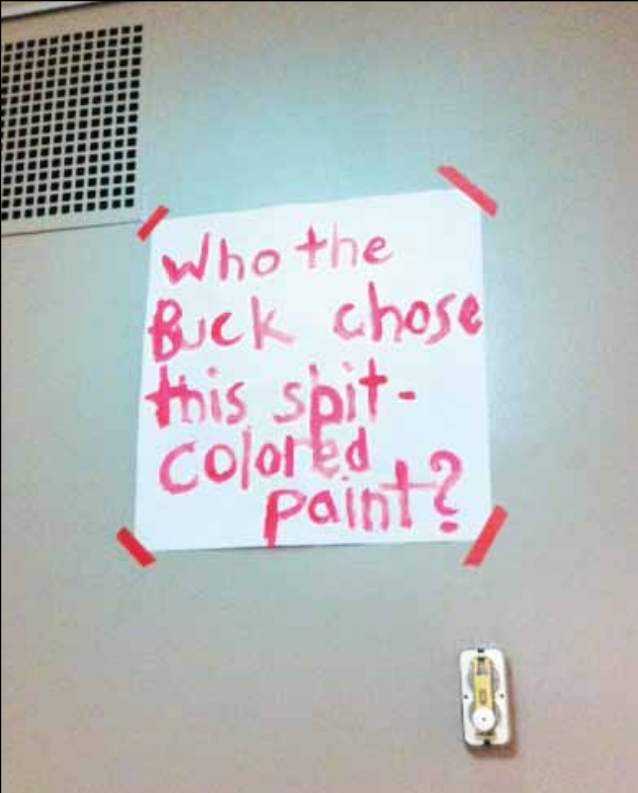
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access to the room modified rather than removed the posters. The modifications included the changing of certain words and, in the case of the octopus poster, drawings of additional sea wildlife to obscure the offending parts of the picture.

On Monday, Walsh emailed those with access to the lounge to report that the modifications solved the problem. In the message, addressed to one of the representatives of the former Bexley community, Walsh wrote, “You and others have done an impressive job of altering or modifying most of the posters into a non-offensive presentation. That is very much appreciated,” adding, “It is a very impressive gallery of expression throughout Pritchett, and I’m pleased the space is becoming more active for your community.”

Illustrations in Pritchett Lounge in Walker Memorial were edited by Bexlians after CAC expressed concerns about the “offensive” drawings. In August, former Bexley residents were given the lounge to use as a community space following the closure of Bexley Hall last spring.



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STALY CHIN

Fred Frankenstein (Josh Cough) and Igor (Chamille J. Lescott '16) prepare to reanimate a corpse in MIT Musical Theatre Guild’s production of *Young Frankenstein*.



STEVEN BROWNE

(Left to right) Stephanie H. Chen '15, Priya Garg '15, and Blake M. Elias '16 search and play in a leaf pile in Killian Court constructed by Clowns@MIT on Friday, Nov. 15. It was stuffed with wrapped candy bars.



HENRY TAREQUE—THE TECH

(Left to right) Priscila Cortez '16 and Lisa A. Lozano '17 model during **KATwalk**, Kappa Alpha Theta’s annual charity fashion show in Walker Memorial on Friday, Nov. 15.

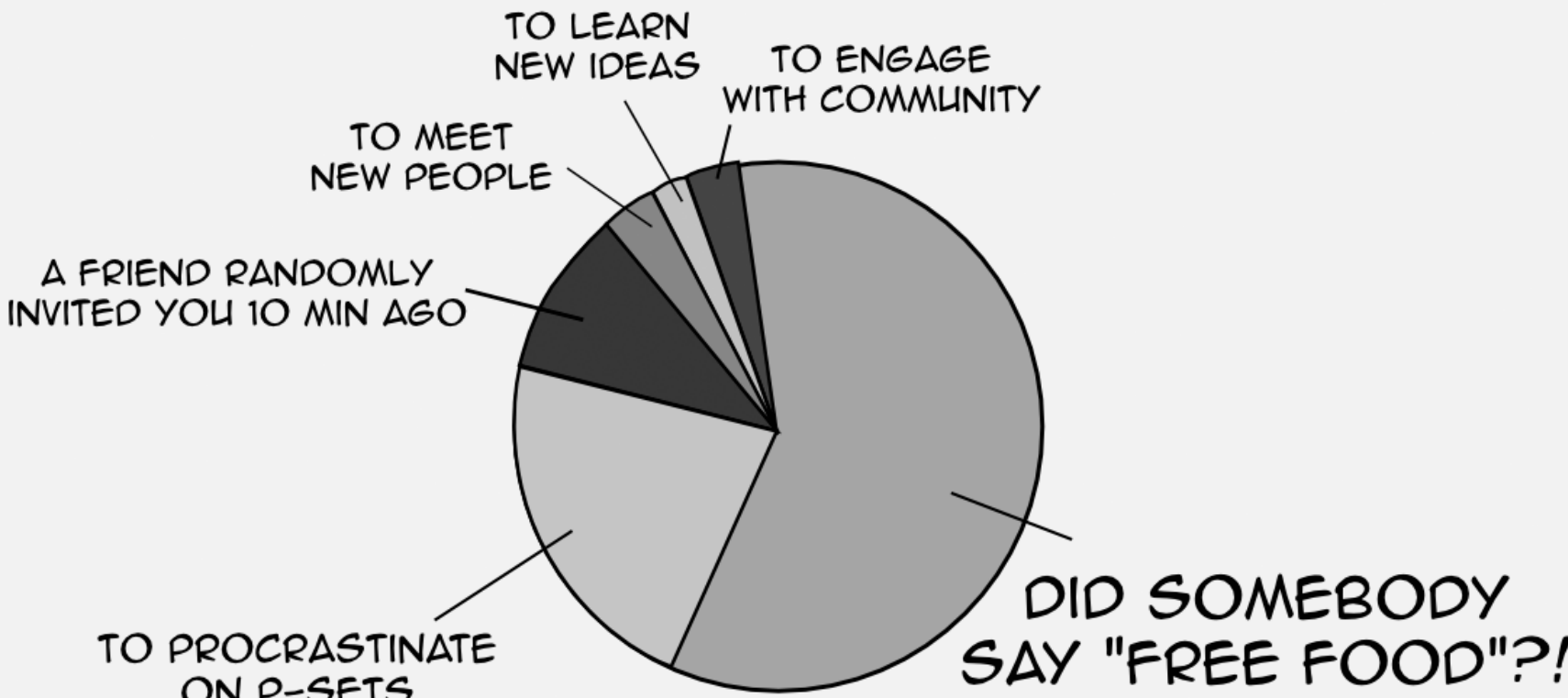


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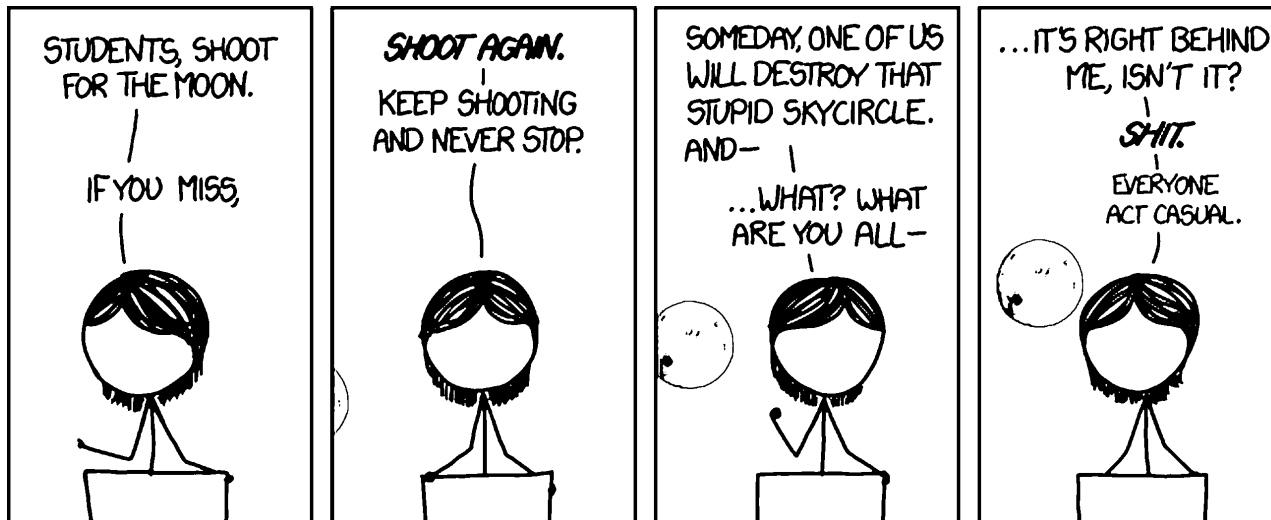
Students in 2.00, Introduction to Design, tested their final projects in the Stata center on Monday, Nov. 18. They were challenged to build a device to destroy an “asteroid” represented as a balloon. The “asteroid” was hooked onto a string, and had to be captured and popped.

BY ERIKA TRENT

REASONS YOU ATTEND A CAMPUS EVENT



[1291] Shoot for the Moon



shoot for the Moon. If you miss, you'll end up co-orbiting the Sun alongside Earth, living out your days alone in the void within sight of the lush, welcoming home you left behind.

Sudoku

Solution, page 11

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Instructions: Fill in the grid so that each column, row, and 3 by 3 grid contains exactly one of each of the digits 1 through 9.

Techdoku

Solution, page 11

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SKETCH YOUR LOOK

A leg up on pants

Trousers add both comfort and style to your wardrobe

By **Dohyun Lee**
STAFF COLUMNIST

It is often believed that trousers are simply an alternative for jeans, which is not true! Trousers and jeans are completely different in terms of look and fabric. Trousers have numerous unique characteristics that jeans do not have. First of all, trousers are made with soft materials, such as cotton and wool, which give you maximum comfort and warmth, whereas jeans are made with denim, which is usually stiff and rough. Trousers are known for comfort and versatility, but not so much for fashion potential. However, I am sure that some of you jeans-guys will turn into trousers-guys after reading this.

Trousers can be either flat-fronted or pleated. Flat-fronted trousers have no fold on the waist area, whereas pleated trousers have at least two folds on the waist area. If you are looking for a safe choice, I strongly recommend purchasing flat-fronted trou-

sers since they are more versatile due to simplicity. Pleated trousers make you look bulky because they are made with more fabric. However, pleated trousers give a little more vibe of formality, so if you want to look a little formal, but not too much, they will be perfect for you.

Unlike jeans, trousers are very commonly manufactured with a variety of different colors. Trousers are able to pull off crazy colors fantastically without actually looking crazy. For instance, let's try to imagine a guy wearing a pair of yellow trousers with a shirt on. It looks alright. Let's imagine yellow jeans with a shirt on. It is a little bit weird, right? This is why guys who love color often go for trousers over jeans. However, if you can only afford one pair of trousers, then you can opt for beige or navy ones. I have both, and I love them equally.

Beige is better for casual styles, while navy is more formal. For example, T-shirts and casual shirts look great with beige, while oxford

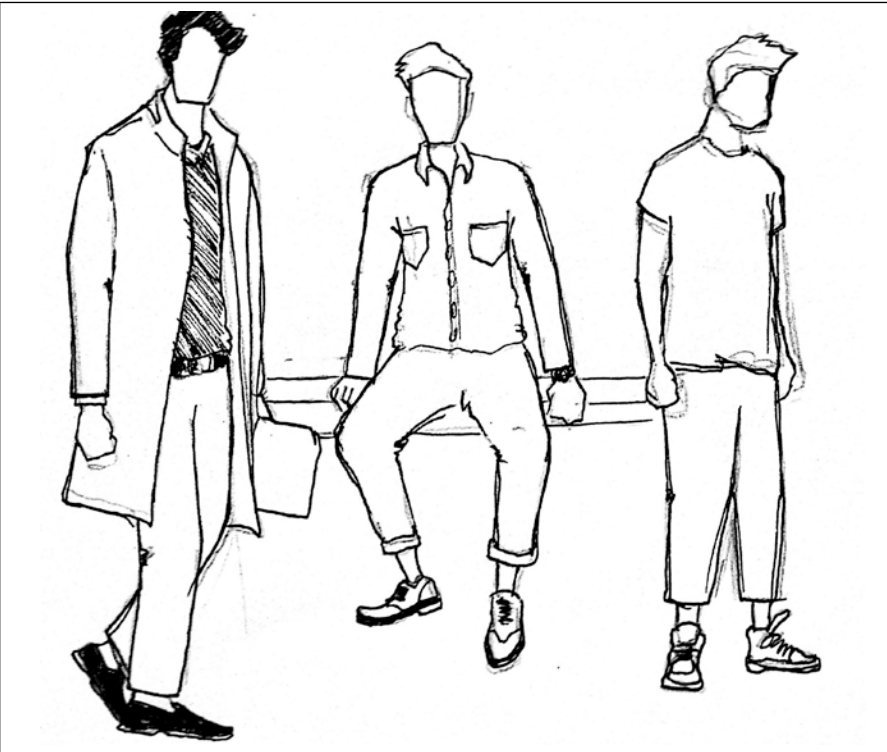


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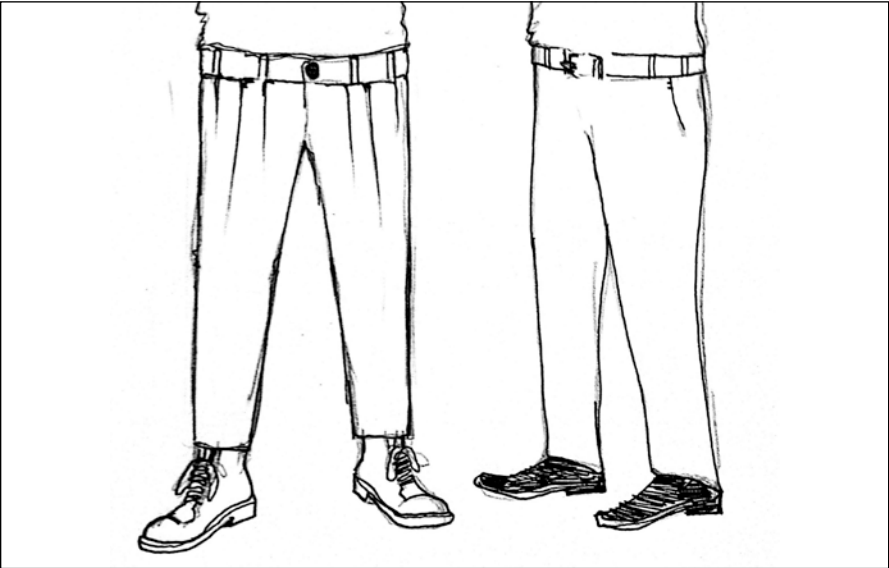


ILLUSTRATION BY DOHYUN LEE

shirts and blazers look great with navy. But, don't worry too much about the choice of clothing with trousers because trousers are so versatile that they can be worn with anything regardless of color.

One thing I really like about trousers is that they don't need any breaking in. They come as comfortable as if they have already been worn for a long time. Also, they don't wear out quickly, so they can look fresh and clean forever as long as you wash and dry them properly. Most of the time, I carefully hand-wash my trousers because their fabric is so soft that it may get damaged by a laundry machine. Thus, it is better to invest some money in one pair of high-quality trousers

than to have several cheap ones. They will never go out of style either, so why not buy a great pair?

As opposed to jeans, which have many different kinds of fit, trousers only have a couple. Trousers come in loose, straight, slim, or skinny, but I strongly recommend purchasing either straight or slim because they are classic and timeless. Try pairing them up with a crisp oxford shirt, cardigan and brown loafers for a smart and dandy look, or a T-shirt, denim jacket, and white sneakers for a casual and naughty look. There are so many other ways to build your own style with trousers, so find something that flatters you the best!

EVENTS

NOV. 19 – NOV. 25

TUESDAY

(2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.) Why Don't Firms Hire Young Workers During Recessions? — E62-650

(7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.) Alley Stoughton: Gender Diversity at MIT and Beyond — 50-005

(8:00 p.m.) LSC shows *Lone Survivor* — 26-100

WEDNESDAY

(3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.) MIT Spouses and Partners: Culture Shock: What it is and how to cope — E55 Eastgate Penthouse Lounge

(7:00 p.m.) LSC and Hillel show *The Gatekeepers* — 1-190

THURSDAY

(1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.) Research with MITx data — 66-154

(4:15 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.) Reverse Engineering Chinese Censorship — E51-335

FRIDAY

(12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.) Conservative Internationalism: Armed Diplomacy under Jefferson, Polk, Truman, and Reagan — E40-496

(4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.) Fossil Free MIT presents Chasing Ice: Free Film Screening + Ice Cream — 35-225

(5:30 p.m.) LSC shows *Despicable Me 2* — 26-100

SATURDAY

(2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.) Fun Tech Forum: Tech Show Time, archeologist talk— NW10-lounge

(8:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.) MInuTe to Win It, competition — Sidney-Pacific-157

SUNDAY

(8:00 p.m.) NFL Sunday at the Thirsty Ear: Patriots vs. Broncos — NW35

MONDAY

(5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.) MIT Alumni in the Game Industry — 32-155

(5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.) Firm Performance and Wages: Evidence from Across the Corporate Hierarchy — E19-758

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Philippines sees widespread hunger, displacement

Haiyan leaves about 2.5 million in need of food aid following worst typhoon in memory

Philippines, from Page 1

food,” he said.

Basey’s mayor, Junji Ponferrada, 43, estimates that this storm damaged or destroyed the homes of one third of the population of this city of 51,000 in Samar province. He struggles to feed and house them all.

“People are saying, ‘We don’t want a message of hope. We want food,’” he said.

The Basey District Hospital, which sits on a hill in the city facing the church, suffered extensive damage in the storm. But a few rooms survived, allowing the primary care hospital to provide basic services like delivering babies and treating diarrhea caused by unclean water, said Dr. Jessamine Elona, 33. A team of Japanese doctors has helped treat cuts and wounds caused by flying debris during the storm.

Pacquito Manog, 60, a farmer in the village of Iba, which is part of Basey, said Typhoon Haiyan badly damaged his rice crop, leaving him with only 10 percent of his anticipated yield.

“We will try again next season,”

he said. “We will start planting next month for harvest in April, if we have enough money to pay for seeds.”

In the nearby village of Magallanes, some 75 people stood by the side of the road waiting for a promised delivery of food. They put up large, handmade signs with the name of their neighborhood, and held tickets with the face of Egay

a medical team from Camarines Sur province offered medicines and minor surgery. A group from the city of Valenzuela in Metro Manila, which arrived Monday after driving five days, scouted how to distribute its five truckloads of goods and where to station five doctors.

As Ponferrada cleaned mud and trash from his waterfront office, four

At the church, a runners club from Samar handed out 6.5-pound bags of rice, crackers, and bottles of water to a line of people that streamed out the front door.

Tallado, the governor of Camarines Norte province, which was providing the aid.

“We weren’t given a specific time, we were just told to wait,” said Victoria Cajara, 51, a Magallanes village councilor who had been by the roadside for four hours.

Ponferrada said other towns and provinces have been the chief suppliers of aid to Basey, where 191 died in the storm and 39 were still missing. In the basketball stadium, trucks from the Japan International Cooperation Agency arrived with 77 bundles of plastic, each 165 feet long, for building basic tents. A few hours earlier the trucks would not have been able to squeeze onto the narrow waterfront drive, which had only recently been cleared of debris by teams from the Metro Manila Development Authority.

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of water to a line of people that streamed out the front door.

It is not the first time this town’s Roman Catholic church with the limestone walls and wide buttresses has been called on to house the homeless. First built by Jesuits in 1656, the church was largely destroyed by a typhoon in 1880. After the end of Japanese occupation during World War II, it served as a refugee camp.

The church, which sits on a hill overlooking the badly damaged downtown strip of this town of 51,000, avoided destruction. But signs of damage are everywhere. The force of the storm blew out a stained-glass window in the south wall of the chancel. It lies toppled over, the leading holding together its colored panes.

The church’s corrugated metal roof, with detailed murals showing the Tower of Babel, Catholic saints and a scene from Revelations, has been riddled with coin-sized holes that allow in rain and thin shafts of light.

The red stone floor is slick with rainwater. The wooden pews are wet and warped, their knee rests now used as head rests for reclining evacuees. Water and food containers, pots, pans and bags of clothes line the pews. Dogs sleep on the floor.

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Outside, food is cooked over open fires, clothes dry on lines hung between palm trees, and piles of bottles and trash climb high. The bathroom is a wall in the church yard.

The Rev. Gil Cabujat, 44, says the church is willing to house the homeless. But he sounded a note of frustration. He said many of the churches’ new tenants slept through the daily 6 a.m. Mass.

“They’re welcome to stay, but we ask them, if they’re able to start rebuilding,” Cabujat said. “We can’t start rebuilding until they leave.”

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Athena clusters to see some changes

Some clusters to close permanently

Athena clusters, from Page 1

lining the cluster in 56-129 as “distracting.” Jang also suggested cubicles for more privacy, “so people don’t look at your screen.”

The Athena system debuted on campus in 1983, and the clusters a few years later. Though usage has dropped off as more students bring their own laptops, the clusters are still essential to many. While many students rely on the clusters when their laptops are broken, some of these students, like Jang, use the clusters also because the environment is “conductive to working, because everyone else is working.”

According to Reed, however, there is still work to be done to improve the cluster experience.

According to Reed, however, there is still work to be done to improve the cluster experience. “Rows of workstations are not the future of academic computing,” Reed said.

Though limited by funding, IS&T does have long-terms dreams for the clusters, especially the one in the Student Center. Taking inspira-

tion from the Barker Reading Room and the CAC Reading Rooms in the Student Center, IS&T hopes to outfit the Student Center cluster with tables for collaboration under the skylight, three-lobed tables with dividers for individual work (similar to Barker’s), group study rooms in the back, and even a seminar classroom that graduate TAs or student groups could reserve, as well as removing partitions in the room.

Still, “It’s easy to maintain clusters in the same layout,” Reed said, adding that completely overhauling the layout would be “one of our big challenges.”

Reed indicated, however, that a number of steps remain before such a renovation. “We have submitted a request to the Committee on Resource and Space Planning (CRSP) for approval to begin a study of the space, which is the first step. If they approve it, we can begin working with Facilities to come up with a plan and budget. All this happens before we can even begin to identify sources of funding.”

The next few years will see drastic changes to the clusters. Still, Reed pointed out, “We can only do so much. The administration needs to hear from students.”

Solution to Techdoku
from page 8

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Solution to Sudoku
from page 8

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3	1	5	9	4	7	8	6	2
8	6	3	4	1	5	2	7	9
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Solution to Crossword
from page 5

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MIT (6-3, 4-3 NEFC) took the opening kickoff and started moving down the field, gaining the Coast Guard side of the 50-yard line on a 19-yard completion from Peter J. Williams '15 to Bradford L. Goldsberry '15. But three plays later Williams was intercepted by Evan Rothfield, and the Bears turned around and marched all the way to the MIT 25 before the Engineers could halt the dive. Tyler Henning came on and put Coast Guard in the lead with a 42-yard field goal.

Williams hit Seve A. Esparrago '16 with a 31-yard strike on the first play of the next MIT possession, and that sparked a response by the Engineers. Williams completed five of seven attempts on the drive for 71 yards, including a seven-yard scoring toss to

Three plays later Coast Guard was back on top by 10 after a 43-yard scoring pass from Victory to Alex Oswald. The Bears then picked up another turnover when Victor Rizzardi picked off Williams and returned it 40 yards to the MIT eight as the first quarter ended. Mike Clancy then made it 24-7 on the next play with his run into the end zone.

Wallace started the next MIT drive with a 22-yard carry and the Engineers went on to complete an 11-play, 75-yard drive to begin its comeback. With 10:18 left Williams took it in from three yards out to cut the Coast Guard lead to 10 points. The Bears missed on a 54-yard field goal attempt on their next possession, giving MIT the ball on its own 37. The Engineers put together another scoring drive and when Williams hit sophomore Nathan H. Varady '16 in the back of the end zone with 12 seconds left in the half, the lead was down to three.

MIT forced a three and out on the first Coast Guard possession of the second half and then marched down the field again as Williams accounted for all but 14 yards of a 65-yard drive that finished with a Williams to Esparrago 15-yard scoring toss to give the Engineers their first lead of the game at 28-24. MIT then picked up a turnover of its

Coast Guard came back and tied things up on its next possession as Jake Wawrzyniak took it over from the one with 2:46 left in the third, but MIT came right back and retook the lead with an 82-yard drive. Williams was sacked for a six-yard loss on a third and one at the Coast Guard 21, but came back on fourth down with a 21-yard completion to Christopher G. McPherson '16 and Wallace finished it on the next play from six yards out to make it 38-31 with 13 minutes to go.

Other than the three turnovers, Coast Guard could not contain the MIT offense. The Engineers held the ball for 44:45 and converted 17 of 21 third down attempts. Williams had his best passing day of the season, completing 21 of 31 for 293 yards and three scores. Esparrago grabbed six of those passes for 108 yards and a score while Goldsberry also had six catches, totaling 72 yards.

Victory completed 20 of 35 attempts for 209 yards for Coast Guard, with Oswald catching six for 110 yards and Collis Brown eight more for 82 yards. The MIT defense, led by Brent M. Johnson '14's eight tackles, held the Bears to just 40 yards rushing.

Openweight Crew finishes 8th in Novice 8 Event

The Charles River. The Engineers saw their best finish in the Novice 8 event where the A boat finished eighth in a 16-team field.

MIT also had three crews in the Varsity 4+ competition. The A crew had the best outing, turning in a time of 14:58.6 to finish 23rd in the 35 boat field, finishing just four seconds behind a lightweight crew from Boston University and five seconds ahead of Northeastern's C boat. The Engineers' C crew was 25th in a time of 15:03.9, while the B boat was 28th with an effort of 15:09.4.

—Phil Hess

Tuesday, November 19

Wednesday, November 20

Wednesday, November 20
Squash vs. Tufts University
7 p.m., DuPont Athletic Center

Thursday, November 21

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7 p.m., Rockwell Cage

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